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**Georgia Southern University  
Staff Council  
Meeting Minutes  
May 17, 2013**

**Members/Alternates Present:** Pattie Beblowski, , Lisa Bridges, Theresa Duggar, Bo Galvin, Heidi Harsha, Kendria Lee, Lisa Lee, Liza Williams, , David Thompson, Amber Blair, Kent Tatum

**Advisor:** Paul Michaud

**Absent:** Joan Greenlees, , Dorsey Baldwin, Jill Forehand, , America Minc, Debbie Tyson

**Approval of April Agenda:** Motion: Amber Blair ; 2<sup>nd</sup>: David Thompson

**Approval of March Minutes:** Motion: David Thompson; 2<sup>nd</sup> Amber Blair

\*Correction to April Min: "PicNic" will be spelled "Picnic"

### **Executive & Committee Reports**

**Treasurer Report:** Balance in account is \$760.90. Paul Michaud spoke with Rob Whitaker about increasing Staff Councils budget. Rob would like to see an itemized list of the needs for FY14.

**By-Laws Committee:** See New Business

**Technology & Communications and Website:** None

**Employee Engagement:** None

**Fundraising & Outreach:** See Picnic in "Old Business"

**Scholarship:** None

**Tobacco Free Initiative:** None

### **Old Business**

**Picnic** – The picnic was on May 16<sup>th</sup>. All feedback was positive from those who attended. \$491.00 was collected for the scholarship fund and over 366 cans of food collected

Suggestions for next year:

- Start at 11:00 and end at 1:00
- Have the music play longer
- More sprite and possibly add ice tea
- Have each VP present speak to staff
- Have a sign for the raffle table to help promote and explain what the raffle is for
- Have one large door prize
- Need a donation jar for those who forgot a can good but would like to donate money
- "Staff Council" signs (we can have these made and use at all events)
- Open the raffle up for several days for pre-sales
- Ask Mr. Chris Pugh to participate again in 2014 Picnic

## **New Business**

**Town Hall Meeting:** The next 2 town hall meetings will be May 22th at 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm and May 29 at 11:00 am– 12:00 pm. Place: Nessmith-Lane room 1909. Pattie will send Paul the information to send out the dates campus wide.

**Bylaws:** The current Bylaws have been revised by the executive committee. Each Staff Council member received a copy of the edited document 1 week prior to the meeting. An open discussion was held and other edits made. Lisa Bridges will send the edited version to the Staff Council the week of May 20<sup>th</sup> for the council to review again and vote on during the June meeting.

(See edited Bylaws attached)

**Herty:** It was presented to the Council that with the assignment of Herty, the 65 + Herty employees will now be under GSU. It was recommended to add a seat to the Staff Council to include a Herty representative. Lisa Bridges will speak with Dr. Charles Patterson about this addition and who best can attend the meetings on behalf of Herty.

**Complaints:** None

### **HR Updates:**

\*Performance Evaluations were due April 30<sup>th</sup>. Only 50% of evaluations have been completed and submitted to HR.

\* The TRS **employer** contribution is presently 11.41% and will go up to 12.28% in July. The **employee** contribution remains the same at 6%.; The ORP **employer** contribution is presently 9.24% and will remain the same. The **employee** contribution remains the same at 6%.

### **Announcements:**

Meeting Adjourned: 10:30 a.m.

Professionally Submitted,  
Lisa Bridges